

REMARKS

By this Amendment, claim 10 was deleted and claims 1 and 6 were amended. Claim 1 was amended to Figure 3 was amended to delete the recitation that the buffer plate is "affixed to a lift piece." This eliminates the apparent inconsistency with claim 2 as noted in item 5 of the Office Action and overcomes the Section 112, first paragraph objection set forth in item 4 of the Office Action. Claim 1 was further amended to recite that "the plurality of pins are inserted into the insertion holes." This amendment addresses the objection noted in item 5 of the Office Action and also amends claim 1 as suggested in item 11 of the Office Action. Claim 6 was amended to correct the antecedent basis error noted in item 5 of the Office Action. In view of the foregoing amendments, Applicant submits that the drawing objections, the rejection under Section 112, first paragraph, and the rejection under Section 112, second paragraph, have been addressed and overcome. Applicant requests withdrawal of these objections and rejections.

Claims 1 and 6 were rejected under Section 102(b) as being anticipated by Ito. Claims 9 and 10 were rejected under Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ito. Item 11 of the Office Action stated that Ito would be distinguished if the claims were amended to recite plural pins engaged in the plural insertion holes. Claim 1 has been amended accordingly. Therefore, Applicant requests withdrawal of the rejections under Sections 102(b) and 103(a).

If there are any remaining issues preventing allowance of the pending claims which can be clarified by telephone, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

Respectfully submitted,



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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the claims:

Claims 1 and 6 have been amended as follows:

1. (amended) A pin kit with a plurality of pins for an apparatus for forming a plurality of V-shaped grooves at a desired interval on a light guide panel, the pin kit comprising: a buffer plate [affixed to a lift piece, the buffer plate] having an elastic member fixed at a lower side of the buffer plate;

a guide plate having insertion holes for receiving a plurality of pins, the insertion holes being positioned to permit contact between one of the pins and the elastic member; and

[a] wherein the plurality of pins are [pin to be] inserted into the insertion [hole] holes on the guide plate for forming V-shaped grooves in the light guide panel.

6. (amended) A pin kit as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a fixation member having an insertion groove at the bottom thereof, wherein the fixation member is affixed to [a] the lift piece, and wherein the buffer plate and the guide plate are affixed to the insertion groove.